Abstract

A web-based personal contact information system comprising a bridge web site server located on the Internet, wherein the bridge web site server has a personal contact information directory database that is capable of storing personal contact information of a listing party, the bridge web site server receives a querying signal generated by a querying party that embodies both a request for the personal contact information of the listing party and also embodies a communication of identifying information about the querying party, the bridge web site server receiving the querying party's personal contact information embodied in the querying signal and transmitting it to the listing party; the bridge web site server generating a query notification signal that notifies the listing party that there has been a query for the personal contact information of the listing party; the query notification signal notifying the listing party of the communication of identifying information of the listing party.